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Stetson University News

This is a gala week at the university. Everybody is thinking of the great reception given to the Count and Countess of Santa Eulalia. The count is a very interesting person. He is the High Commissioner of Portugal to the United States and to Mexico. It is interesting to hear the Count discuss conditions in his own country.

The Count is what we call in this country a Democrat. He has blue blood in his veins, but he belongs to the Liberal party, among the statesmen and leaders of his country.

"Political conditions in Portugal are growing better all the time," said the Count last night. "King Manuel has not been in a hurry to bring about a change in the government, but he is doing it gradually. The Reform party is gaining in strength, and as King Manuel is wonderfully popular with his people and his ministers, the future appears bright for the country. The young king has remarkable tact, and will, I am confident, become one of the great rulers of Portugal. Queen Amelia, whom I met at the anniversary celebration in honor of King Manuel at Oporto, expressed the deepest interest in America. Her father, the Count of Paris, it will be remembered, took an active part in the civil war in the United States, and the queen has always had the liveliest interest in and sympathy with America."

Count Eulalia is greatly interested in art in this country which he says is the foremost country in the world in the impressionistic school of painting. The count himself is a sculptor of note.

"There is every reason why the impressionistic painters of America should lead the world," said the count, "because there is no part of the globe that is so richly endowed by nature. The foliage is the most beautiful on the earth and grander natural scenery than the Grand Canyon of the Colorado and the Royal Gorge cannot be found anywhere. In sculpture America is making great strides. But France, I think, has the greatest sculptor ever born, Rodin, in my opinion, is a greater artist even than Michael Angelo. His eye for form never was surpassed by any of the old or modern masters. In my judgment, his greatest work is the figure LePenseur but he may yet turn out even a greater work, for his is still active."

PRESNTATION DAY

Aleixo de Queiron Ribeiro do Sotto-Maior e Dasconcellos, Conde de Santa Eulalia and his wife, are the guests of honor of the university and of the city this week. The Count is High Commissioner of Portugal to the United States of America, and to Mexico. He served once as Consul for Portugal in the city of Chicago. He is hereditary Knight of the Cura Real and Grand Master of Malta. He is also commander of the Order of Christ and Chevalier of various orders. He has recently been decorated by the King of Portugal, enjoying a title that would correspond in English to "Most Excellent."

THE NEWS joins in the public welcome given to the guests of the university and the town.

The week has been full of interesting events and experiences. The last strain of Mendelssohn's Grand Oratorio "Elijah" had hardly ceased, when people began to anticipate the events of this week. Presentation Day is always a great occasion in DeLand.

The public is grateful for the opportunity it had two years ago to welcome that grand old prince among men, the founder of the town, the gentle and genial Henry A. DeLand. It was good to look upon him. The old settlers turned out—the pioneers of an early day. They gave the old man a succession of entertainments.

Last year when John B. Stetson, Jr., was the guest of honor, the city again outdid itself in its effort to extend a hearty welcome. It found Mr. Stetson an affable gentleman.

This year the Count and Countess are cordially welcomed to the hospitality of the hearts of DeLand. This is a season of rejoicing, and it is to be hoped that this week will excel any of its predecessors.

The board of Trustees held its meeting on Thursday, according to custom. This is the annual meeting. It is at this meeting that the officers of the board are elected, the Executive Committee, and that other routine business is performed.

The trustees who participated in the presentation day ceremony were Mr. John B. Stetson, Jr., President of the Board, Rev. Dr. Wm. Q. Roselle, the orator of the day, Hon. Silas B. Wright, Mr. E. O. Painter, President Hulley, and among the faculty members present on

placed a piece of statuary in Abyssinia. For this he was decorated by King Menelik with the "Star of Ethiopia," which carries with it the rank of colonel. He has been decorated a number of times in Portugal. He recently set up in Lisbon, the capitol, of Portugal a beautiful piece of statuary representing the present queen. For this he received very high decorations in Portugal, carrying with it special court favors.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN HULLEY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Gentlemen:

This report of the year's work is presented to you with grateful acknowledg-

of the legal profession in the State and has made the high requirements of our Law School all the more desirable. Instead of hurting the Law School, it has made a law education necessary to protective lawyers. In attendance, in efficiency, in the strength of its courses, the Law School maintains the high standard which it has always maintained from the beginning.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The work of this department has been strengthened by the addition of several teachers and by the greatly increased attendance, especially of the spring quarter. In my judgment there is greater need than ever of an effective normal school in this State. The Prac-

accomplished. The dean has administered his office with vigor and that has resulted in better class attendance, and that, of course, in the better preparation of lessons. It has been my policy to share the authority you have given me more and more with the deans and with the heads of departments with a view to securing for you the results you seek. The teachers have been faithful, as a body, in the discharge of their duties. To be sure, some teachers excel others in efficiency and also in fidelity. It is the exception where one falls short. Nearly all have made a very gratifying response to the calls I have been obliged to make upon them for sharing the large number of duties arising in a school which fall outside of the class room requirements, but which have to be performed in every school by the members of the faculties. I would like to mention by name a large number of persons on our faculty who have been of great assistance to me. Those who are actively sharing with me the administration of departments have done considerable outside work.

THE DINING ROOM.

One of your president's duties is to run a hotel. It is not usually a part of a president's work. It gives rise to many perplexing questions, to much irritation, but it is a necessary part of our work and I am glad to do anything that is necessary to the work. Our dining room has had more students in it this year than ever before. It greatly helps me in administering the boarding side of our work when you give me the loyal backing which you have steadfastly given me in all these things. In this connection I wish to speak of the effectiveness of Mrs. Clarkson and her helpers who have had to work, as everyone else has to, in the case of higher food prices, the scarcity of good help and a more general demand for a better table. Our students do not revel in luxury, but neither do they practice the frugal living of an earlier day.

THE LAUNDRY.

The growth of the student body has overtaken the capacity of the laundry and considering the amount of work done there it would seem to be best to have a steam laundry in connection with the University. The first cost of such a plan is the stumbling block, apparently, to having it. Personally, I would abolish it at once if it were not for the fact that it is a great convenience. It is a source of many petty personal irritations to our students and to those in charge of it.

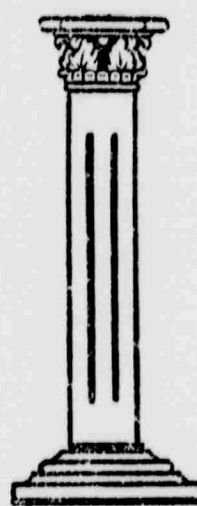
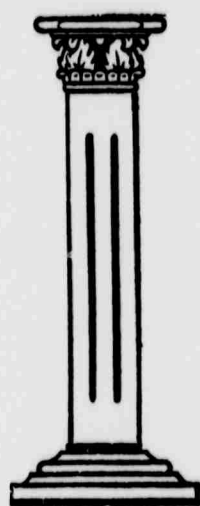
THE DORMITORIES.

In my opinion our greatest need is increased endowment. Next to that we need dormitories more than we need anything else. We have one under way as far as it has gone, it is paid for. We need it badly, and I wish you could find a way to complete it for us. This year we have had to rent two houses in town. I do not prefer that way of doing but in this, as in all other things, we have to do our best, and be patient. I am far from speaking of these things in a censorious way as though you were not doing your duty. I am glad we have these needs. They are a sign of health and growth. Our needs may prove to be a means of growth and enlargement to us, and not a hindrance.

COLLEGE LIFE.

The life of the University in my opinion, is on a good plane. Am I not right? I mean that our students are responsive to appeals made to their nobler natures; that they have respect to the good order of the college community as a whole. They are more amenable to discipline; more respectful to their teachers, more conservative of good traditions and more inclined to do the square thing as the institution grows older. I feel very proud of this student

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the platform were Prof. E. G. Baldwin, Prof. W. W. Frost, Prof. O. A. Morse and Prof. Charles Farriss.

Rev. Dr. Wm. Quay Roselle is the pastor of the Countess and of John B. Stetson, Jr., at the Fifth Baptist Church Philadelphia, Pa. He is a striking personality. He stands over six feet tall and his body is built in proportion. He has a voice that makes one think of Elijah, who sang at the oratorio. Dr. Roselle is an eloquent speaker. Besides his heavy pulpit duties he is a lecturer of note. He came from Philadelphia to Florida by way of Chicago, where he had some appointments to speak. He has been a very successful pastor at Pittsburg and Philadelphia and he has fully measured up to the high qualifications given him.

Professor Baldwin in very felicitous phrase presented the University with a beautiful oil portrait of Hon. Henry A. DeLand. This he did on behalf of the Lyceum Committee, which paid for the painting from its funds. The portrait was painted by Mr. Donaghy. In a short address of acceptance Hon. Silas B. Wright, who knew Mr. DeLand from the beginning, spoke in appreciation of Mr. DeLand's character and work.

Prof. Frost, in a short presentation address gave to the university on behalf of John B. Stetson, Jr., a fine big sized bas relief in bronze, of Hon. H. A. DeLand, made by the guest of honor, the Count of Santa Eulalia.

The Count is a great artist. He studied under the masters at Paris for over fifteen years. Sculpture is his specialty. This bronze bas relief of Mr. DeLand shows his ability. It represents Mr. DeLand in a sitting posture, resting under a tree, a position in which he was very familiar to the early settlers. The figure itself is life sized. The bronze tablet stands more than eight feet in height. It will be set up in the library.

The count of Santa Eulalia has done work of international character. He has many times exhibited his work in the Paris Salon. He designed and built the Statue to Liberty in Sofia, the Capitol of Bulgaria, which is said by artists to be a very fine piece of work. For this he was decorated by the King of Bulgaria, receiving the title of "Officer of Civil Merit of Bulgaria." He also

ment of the hearty co-operation and sympathy which you have given me during the year. Amid all the perplexities incident to a work of this sort you have given me such consideration that I wish to thank you each and all.

THE ACADEMY.

The Academy, which is the foundation of the work begun here, has had a year of unusual prosperity. The attendance has been high and the work of excellent character. The last two years of academy instruction are the equal of the freshman and sophomore years of many colleges. The academy standard has been rigidly set in accordance with the demands of the best equipped preparatory school to be found anywhere. In keeping with precedents established elsewhere in the country among academies of high grade, it is the purpose of your executive officer, with your concurrence, to broaden the number of subjects accepted for graduation.

THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS.

The College of Liberal Arts is destined to grow more rapidly than any other branch of our work. Much of the work done here at Stetson in the School of Technology, in the Law School, in the Normal School and in other departments is done at other institutions in the College of Liberal Arts, and is set down to the credits of such colleges. It seems wiser for us, in view of our geographical situation and other local conditions, to separate this work into schools rather than to maintain it as done within one College of Liberal Arts. Hereafter the College of Liberal Arts will accept for admission some subjects that have heretofore been refused by Stetson, although the same subjects have been accepted for years by the University of Chicago and other institutions. The high schools of Florida are taking higher ground and are equipping their students better. There ought to be more accessions to the College of Liberal Arts from this source in the future than ever before.

THE LAW SCHOOL.

The law passed by the last Legislature requiring all persons hereafter admitted to the bar in this State to pass an examination submitted by the Supreme Court of the State, has lifted the status

of the schools maintained in connection with this department, i.e., the Kindergarten and the eight grades, have not been allowed to multiply in numbers beyond our needs for the specific purpose for which they were created nor have the children of these departments been sacrificed by putting in charge of them student teachers unprepared to teach.

THE BUSINESS COLLEGE.

The Normal School was moved to DeLand Hall and the business College was moved to the old Normal School quarters. This has been a decidedly beneficial change all around. The Business College has had to have more desks and seats to accommodate the overflow. The director of the Business College is meeting all the requirements of the situation and is giving results of a very satisfying kind.

THE MUSIC SCHOOL.

The Music School has had a successful year with an increase in the number on the faculty and in the number of students.

The high standard of taste set by this school may be judged from the facts shown at the Music festival. The teachers of the departments are all enthusiastic.

THE SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

The additional instruction provided in this department last fall has enabled us to offer some more advanced courses than heretofore given in the higher branches of technological work. The practical character of this work commends the department. More recognition should be given to the work of the preparatory school of Mechanics Arts for College entrance. The work turned out of our shops has always commanded high admiration for its excellence.

THE SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS.

This school was restored last fall. It is now in excellent hands, is conducted on strictly scientific principles and reaches the children in the grades in addition to those who give most of their time to art.

THE INSTRUCTION.

More effort has been made this year to strengthen the work of instruction and it is believed that this result has been